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Silver Bow County

Located in southwestern Montana, Silver Bow County is Montana’s eighth most populous with 33,604 residents, according to the 2001 estimates produced by the U.S. Census Bureau. The county of Silver Bow (excluding the town of Walkerville) and the city of Butte are consolidated under an elected executive form of government.

Butte, the county seat, is the state’s fourth largest city with a population of 33,892 according to the 2000 Census. Nicknamed the “Mining City,” Butte is rich in mining resources. Residents have endured harsh economic times and earned the nickname the “Can Do City” by building a stronger local economy and soliciting new businesses to the area. The city is also a major transportation, manufacturing and utility center.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1881 and may have been named after Silver Bow Creek, where according to legend, “three prospectors saw a shaft of sun shining on the creek.”

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Silver Bow County households in 1999 was \$30,402. The county is 719 square miles in area; 718.3 square miles in land area and less than 0.665 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Western Regional Climate Center* (airport readings), the average daily low in Butte in January between 1971 and 2000 was 5.4 degrees above zero. The average daily high in July was 79.8 degrees above. The average annual precipitation during the same period was 12.78 inches. The growing season was from June 13 to Sept. 6 (last and first frost).

Silver Bow County Population

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Area	2001 Census Estimate	2000 Census	1990 Census	1980 Census	% Change '00 to '01	% Change '90 to '00	% Change '80 to '90
Montana	904,433	902,195	799,065	786,690	0.2%	12.9%	1.6%
Silver Bow County	33,604	34,606	33,941	38,092	-2.9%	2.0%	-10.9%
Butte-Silver Bow (government area)	NA	33,892	33,336	37,205	NA	1.7%	-10.4%
Walkerville	NA	714	605	887	NA	18.0%	-31.8%

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Top 20 Private Employers In Silver Bow County
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Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau.
First Quarter 2002 Unemployment Insurance Information.
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Annual Average Labor Force For Silver Bow County				
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployment Rate
2001	16,359	15,520	839	5.1%
2000	17,260	16,217	1,043	6.0%
1999	17,675	16,692	983	5.6%
1998	18,006	16,958	1,048	5.8%
1997	17,405	16,530	875	5.0%
1996	16,936	15,949	987	5.8%
1995	16,740	15,769	971	5.8%
1994	17,241	16,340	901	5.2%
1993	16,825	15,670	1,155	6.9%
1992	16,632	15,292	1,340	8.1%
1991	16,047	14,732	1,315	8.2%
1990	16,018	14,910	1,108	6.9%
1989	13,380	12,375	1,005	7.5%
1988	13,579	12,399	1,180	8.7%
1987	14,118	12,762	1,356	9.6%
1986	14,114	12,671	1,443	10.2%
1985	14,103	12,732	1,371	9.7%
1984	14,122	12,463	1,659	11.7%
1983	16,502	14,286	2,216	13.4%
1982	17,916	15,898	2,018	11.3%
1981	18,408	16,876	1,532	8.3%
1980	18,209	16,961	1,248	6.9%
1979	18,374	17,252	1,122	6.1%
1978	18,905	17,310	1,595	8.4%
1977	17,430	15,845	1,585	9.1%
1976	17,691	16,047	1,644	9.3%
1975	17,641	16,207	1,434	8.1%
1974	18,001	17,059	942	5.2%
1973	16,975	16,234	741	4.4%
1972	16,327	15,577	750	4.6%
1971	16,019	15,018	1,001	6.2%
1970	15,516	14,904	612	3.9%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau (2002 Benchmark).

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data <i>Civilian Labor Force-All Persons</i>			
Occupation	Total	Male	Female
TOTAL	15,437	8,541	6,896
Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations	3,683	2,063	1,620
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	1,455	821	634
Professional Specialty Occupations	2,228	1,242	986
Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations	4,755	1,750	3,005
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	580	216	364
Sales Occupations	2,002	1,079	923
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	2,173	455	1,718
Service Occupations	2,935	1,122	1,813
Private Household Occupations	64	0	64
Protective Service Occupations	295	276	19
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	2,576	846	1,730
Farming, Forestry, Fishing	296	247	49
Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations	1,795	1,693	102
Mechanics and Repairers	550	533	17
Construction Trade	640	634	6
Extractive Occupations	198	198	0
Precision Production Occupations	407	328	79
Operators, Fabricators and Laborers	1,768	1,557	211
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	523	414	109
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	652	594	58
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	593	549	44
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience	205	109	96

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM)

Resources

⇒ Chamber of Commerce:

Butte-Silver Bow Chamber, 1000 George St., Butte, MT 59701, 406-723-3177

⇒ Department of Labor and Industry

Butte Job Service Workforce Center

2201 White Blvd., Butte, MT 59702, 406-494-0300,

<http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/local/butte/>

Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Research & Analysis

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For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>.

⇒ Housing:

Check the Yellow Pages in the local phone directory for the *Real Estate* listings

⇒ Internet:

Montana Workforce Services home page for job listings at

<http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/>

Cities and towns of Butte, Divide, Melrose, Ramsay and Walkerville Home

Pages—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities

⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing

Butte—3615 Wynne St., 406-494-1949

⇒ Newspaper:

Montana Standard, P.O. Box 627, Butte, MT 59703, 406-496-5500,

<http://www.montanastandard.com/>

⇒ Public Library:

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library, 226 W. Broadway, Butte, MT 59701-9224,

406-723-3361

⇒ Postsecondary Education Institutions:

Montana University System

Montana Tech of the University of Montana, 1300 W. Park St., Butte, MT 59701,

800-445-TECH, <http://www.mtech.edu/>

Montana Tech of the University of Montana College of Technology, 25 Basin

Creek Road, Butte, MT 59701, 406-496-3707, http://www.mtech.edu/cot_tech/

⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Butte Public Schools, 111 N. Montana, Butte, MT 59701, 406-533-2501

Divide Elementary, P.O. Box 9, Divide, MT 59727, 406-267-3315

Melrose Elementary, P.O. Box 128, Melrose, MT 59743, 406-835-3106

Ramsay Elementary, P.O. Box 105, Ramsay, MT 59748, 406-797-3585

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Silver Bow County Employment By Industry*							
Annual Averages 2001							
Industry	# of Estab- lish- ments	Average Annual Employ- ment	Annual Wages Paid	Industry	# of Estab- lish- ments	Average Annual Employ- ment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	1,268	13,723	\$353,108,069	Apparel & Accessories	15	54	\$630,181
PRIVATE BUSINESS	1,221	11,457	\$281,782,180	Furniture Stores	24	134	\$2,947,410
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISH	18	77	\$1,117,850	Eating & Drinking	118	1,371	\$13,467,229
Agriculture Services	14	64	\$814,091	Miscellaneous Retail	50	370	\$5,519,717
MINING	10	145	\$9,235,557	FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	88	421	\$14,215,323
Metal Mining	4	41	\$2,045,816	Banking	19	173	\$4,912,470
CONSTRUCTION	116	406	\$11,505,523	Security & Commodity	5	30	\$2,174,793
General Building	36	106	\$2,822,930	Insurance Carriers	6	11	\$485,650
Heavy Construction	8	46	\$1,951,672	Insurance Agents	17	23	\$393,410
Special Trade	71	252	\$6,730,921	Real Estate	32	113	\$2,447,667
MANUFACTURING	41	613	\$21,049,429	SERVICES	516	4,612	\$105,962,018
Food Products	8	121	\$3,223,323	Hotels & Lodging	14	347	\$3,835,027
Lumber	4	9	\$133,681	Personal Services	24	85	\$1,320,037
Printing-Publishing	10	163	\$3,916,905	Business Services	57	441	\$6,571,684
Stone-Clay-Glass	4	32	\$613,136	Auto Repair Services	40	202	\$3,900,634
Nonelectrical Machinery	4	17	\$534,649	Miscellaneous Repair Services	12	20	\$458,376
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	57	1,139	\$53,096,132	Motion Pictures	5	45	\$361,800
Trucking-Warehousing	22	157	\$4,731,811	Amusement & Recreation	31	275	\$2,899,527
Air Transportation	4	57	\$2,028,063	Health Services	118	1,712	\$47,325,757
Transportation Services	6	32	\$922,273	Legal Services	26	97	\$4,731,191
Communications	10	258	\$9,857,530	Educational Services	6	98	\$1,305,641
WHOLESALE TRADE	74	516	\$13,861,732	Social Services	56	447	\$6,580,794
Durable Goods	46	307	\$8,470,200	Membership Organizations	35	170	\$2,296,883
Non durable Goods	27	209	\$5,391,532	Engineering Services	70	622	\$24,008,583
RETAIL TRADE	296	3,523	\$51,724,885	Private Households	13	22	\$199,037
Building Materials-Garden	18	126	\$2,968,579	GOVERNMENT	46	2,266	\$71,323,889
General Merchandise	6	584	\$7,919,794	State	14	765	\$23,425,788
Food stores	21	330	\$6,109,913	Local	10	1,175	\$33,972,807
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	42	551	\$12,162,066	Federal	22	325	\$13,927,296

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau. (*Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)

*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance

Per Capita Personal Income

	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	1980	1970
U.S.	\$29,469	\$27,843	\$26,893	\$25,412	\$24,270	\$23,255	\$22,340	\$21,539	\$20,962	\$20,023	\$19,572	\$10,183	\$4,095
Montana	\$22,518	\$21,490	\$21,225	\$19,920	\$19,173	\$18,592	\$17,995	\$17,968	\$17,045	\$16,471	\$15,516	\$9,143	\$3,625
% of National	76%	77%	79%	78%	79%	80%	81%	83%	81%	82%	79%	90%	89%
Average													
Silver Bow County	\$22,456	\$21,700	\$21,979	\$21,179	\$19,550	\$19,185	\$18,067	\$17,406	\$17,054	\$16,322	\$15,738	\$9,403	\$3,470
% of National													
Average	76%	78%	82%	83%	81%	82%	81%	81%	81%	82%	80%	92%	85%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 2002

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county fliers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The **Annual Averages for County Employment by Industry** are updated annually, usually in June. The **Top Employers** are updated annually. **Per Capita Income** is usually released late spring. **Population data** for Montana is released in late December and county data in March. The **Annual Average Labor Force information** is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The other tables contain **Census information** and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

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Count of Persons by Age, Race and Sex (2000 Census)													
		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Some Other Race Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race			
School Age	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone	Alone	Alone	Alone	Races		any Race			
	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female
5-11	3,066 1,498	7 3	100 44	11 6	21 9	82 40	128 64						
12-14	1,379 680	0 0	37 17	15 6	10 6	29 14	51 26						
15-17	1,339 674	4 1	34 18	11 6	13 10	40 22	65 39						
18-21	1,897 849	4 0	50 23	11 5	12 6	47 18	70 29						
Total	7,681 3,701	15 4	221 102	48 23	56 31	198 94	314 158						
		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Some Other Race Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race			
Working & Voting Age	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone	Alone	Alone	Alone	Races		any Race			
	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female
16+	26,245 13,382	41 20	491 248	132 65	155 75	289 138	651 335						
16-64	20,783 10,136	36 15	461 231	116 55	148 70	264 123	591 297						
18+	25,369 12,945	39 19	468 235	125 62	144 67	262 124	605 307						
18-64	19,907 9,699	34 14	438 218	109 52	137 62	237 109	545 269						
		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Some Other Race Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race			
Other Age Group	White Alone	Black Alone	Alone	Islander Alone	Alone	Alone	Alone	Races		any Race			
	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female	Total Female
0-4	1,845 915	4 3	65 27	8 6	17 8	62 33	101 64						
5-17	5,784 2,852	11 4	171 79	37 18	44 25	151 76	244 129						
18-44	11,864 5,723	27 10	321 160	78 31	100 45	178 83	399 196						
45-64	8,043 3,976	7 4	117 58	31 21	37 17	59 26	146 73						
65+	5,462 3,246	5 5	30 17	16 10	7 5	25 15	60 38						
Total	32,998 16,712	54 26	704 341	170 86	205 100	475 233	950 500						
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 1 (SF1) 100-Percent Data													
Compiled by: Census & Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, September 2001													

Silver Bow County			
County of Residence	# Who Work In Silver Bow County	County of Work	# Who Live in Silver Bow County
Out of State	40	Out of State	127
Beaverhead County	40	Beaverhead County	32
Cascade County	30	Deer Lodge County	275
Deer Lodge County	370	Gallatin County	30
Gallatin County	32	Jefferson County	204
Jefferson County	262	Lewis & Clark County	34
Lake County	27	Powell County	101
Lewis & Clark County	38	Rosebud County	28
Madison County	78	Silver Bow County	12,856
Missoula County	32	Other Montana Counties	39
Powell County	33		
Silver Bow County	12,856		
Other Montana Counties	42		

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.